GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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MILK PRODUCTION
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether about 5% of the people are being adversely affected by the consumption of milk which is being supplied to them;

(b) if so, the remedial steps being taken by the Government in this regard;

(c) whether the Government have not yet been able to achieve the target of producing 1000 litres of milk per annum per cattle in the country;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor and the steps taken in this direction so far; and

(e) the policy made by the Government for convenient supply of milk at cheaper rate?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a & b): No, Sir. Consumption of milk supplied through organised agencies such as cooperative milk unions, federations, public and private sector dairies do not have any adverse effect on the health of people.

(c & d): The adverse annual yield of milch animal (in milk) has increased from about 858 litres per annum in 1985-86 to 1291 litres per annum in 1998-99.

(e): The cooperatives` network in the country market good quality milk at reasonable rate.